

TODAY'S DONATIONS.

The following is a list of donations for the Wilson County storm sufferers handed in to Mr. S. E. Leonard since the last report:

Selby H. Anderson\$20.00
 Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Hinnant 5.00
 G. G. Hinnant 5.00
 Mrs. E. Rogers 5.00
 Ed. Hinnant25
 R. W. Wells 1.00
 Rastus Oliver 1.00
 A. M. Whitehead, Elm City 3.00
 J. W. Hobgood, Lucama 5.00
 Miss Sudie Gay 3.00
 Wilson Encampment (I. O. O. F.) No. 40 10.00
 Louise Driver 1.00
 William Driver 1.00
 Mrs. F. W. Barnes 5.00
 Shade Felton 5.00
 C. J. Andel 1.00
 Dr. W. S. Anderson 5.00
 J. D. Bardin 5.00
 Colored Church A. M. E. Zion B. P. C. pastor 19.00
 Colored Presbyterian Church Arthur H. George, pastor 8.00
 Collected by Ben Reed on courthouse lawn and Wilson Theater 166.11

MAN SAVES WIFE

IN NICK OF TIME.

"My wife was unable to eat even the lightest food, and had fallen away to a living skeleton. She would not even keep doctor's medicine on her stomach and was tortured with pain. On the recommendation of a friend I bought a bottle of May's Wonderful Remedy and she is all right now and has gained forty pounds." It is a simple, harmless preparation that removes the catarrhal mucus from the intestinal tract and allays the inflammation which causes practically all stomach, liver and intestinal ailments, including appendicitis. One dose will convince or money refunded. Wilson Drug Co., Patterson Drug Co., and druggists everywhere.

MINERS' STRIKE IN AFRICA MAY MEAN REVOLUTION

MANY CASUALTIES

One Correspondent Attributes the Trouble to a Widespread Bolshevik Plot and Said a Red Guard has Formed to Carry on Support of the Strikers.

London, Mar. 11.—The trades union hall at Benoni near, Johannesburg crowded with South African gold mine strikers was bombed by an aviator today says a Central news dispatch from Johannesburg. The majority of those assembled were killed and the building was destroyed.

Johannesburg, Union of South Africa, March 11.—Casualties in the fighting between the striking miners and the police had reached 32 killed and 57 wounded by nine o'clock last night (Friday) when the firing was continuing. Of the 32 killed 19 were policemen.

By eleven o'clock however the streets had become absolutely deserted and the town was quiet. The public was forbidden the use of the streets.

The workers hall is reported to have been hit by a bomb dropped from an air plane. The heaviest casualties were in the extreme eastern section of the Rand.

The general strike called by the miners' leaders at Johannesburg is in reality a revolutionary movement according to the Capetown correspondent of the Daily Telegraph.

The Times' Johannesburg correspondent on the other hand ascribes the trouble to a widespread Bolshevik plot and said the Johannesburg commando regards itself as a red guard. He adds that fighting is in progress throughout the Rand, the most severe trouble being in the eastern section.

GOSSIP HEARD AT CAPITAL CITY BY A NEWSPAPER MAN

MISS KELLY'S JOKE

When the Northern Uplifters Were Discussing the North Carolina Mountaineer Miss Kelly Exhibited Herself as a Healthy Sample of the

north of the Mason-Dixon line who have dedicated their spare time to saving the "pore white trash" of the Southern States were given the knock-out blow of their young lives recently by one crisp utterance of Miss Elizabeth Kelly, director of illiterate work in North Carolina, so the story is heard at the capital.

Miss Kelly was attending a meeting in a New Jersey city which was made up of representatives from all of the New England and Northern states who are charged with bettering living conditions the country over. She was one of the few Southerners present but it soon developed that this North Carolina woman was a big majority in defending the South and particularly her native state.

During the course of the meeting speaker after speaker from the North painted imaginary pictures of the terrible condition prevailing in the home life of the poor mountain whites of the Carolinas and Tennessee. Miss Kelly listened attentively to what was said by her Northern sisters knowing full well that none of them had ever been far enough South to tell a cotton patch from the pestiferous boll weevil. Finally Miss Kelly threw the bomb into the gathering which all but broke up the meeting.

Wending her way to the front of her audience she astounded the Northerners by saying that she was a living witness to everything that had been said about the poor, benighted mountaineers of the South. She called upon all to "look and wonder."

And while her audience was wondering whether she weighed two hundred or two-fifty and was pushing the six-foot mark in height by a fraction of an inch, Miss Kelly said: "Yes, I am one of your underfed, undernourished and undeveloped specimens—fresh from the mountains of North Carolina."

It required several minutes for the chairman to restore order after which Miss Kelly presented the facts about the poor whites of the hill country.

There are sermons and sermons says Solicitor Sam Gattis of the Durham district and he offers the following which he avers is competent evidence in any court:

Back in the palmy days when deaths were not as frequent among North Carolina citizens as at the present time an old citizen of one of the counties in the central part of the state cashed in his checks. The departed citizen had never been able to count for much, it seemed, but he was not without friends. Some difficulty was experienced in finding a minister to conduct the burial services, the family finally calling upon what was at that time known as a "local preacher." He agreed to officiate.

The funeral procession moved from the home to the little country church where the services were to be held. The "local preacher" prefaced his remarks with the statement that "this is a very solemn occasion. I am taking my text from that part of the Bible which says, 'The poor ye have with you always.'"

"There are three kinds of poor. God's poor, the devil's poor and the poor devils. To the latter class did the lamented brother belong."

According to Solicitor Gattis the "local preacher" paid a wonderful tribute to the dead citizen, always sticking religiously to his subject.

State Superintendent of Public Instruction, E. C. Brooks says the prize story of the week is one which classifies a certain type of humankind for the benefit of the average citizen.

It was at a great gathering of folks, big and little, recently in an unnamed city. There were many things to be done and somebody was doing them. But one member of the meeting was hurrying to and fro, in and out of the convention hall answering telegrams, telephone calls and wireless messages seemingly with the ease and abandon of an expert. Everybody seemed to be seeking his advice and the pages in the hotel where the convention was in session worked overtime "paging" this gentleman in question.

One young man, fresh from his home in a distant village, watched this most important personage and finally remarked that, "There goes a mighty important fellow; everybody seems to want his advice."

An old timer, who had grown gray attending conventions of one sort or another, answered that he knew the gentleman in question. Fact of the matter, the old-timer said, "he comes from my home town."

"He does," exclaimed the younger member. "What is his reputation back there?"

Without blinking an eye the old-timer answered: "His reputation back home is merely National."

EASTERN LEAGUE TO HAVE SIX CLUBS

March 11.—Baseball enthusiasts in Washington are being

maining berths in the Eastern Carolina baseball league, provided the four towns already affiliated with the organization perfected here Wednesday night ratify the action of their delegates who formed the league. Officers will be elected and other details of the organization worked out at Greenville March 17. That will be the third gathering of Eastern Carolinas fans. The first was held at New Bern last month.

If New Bern agrees to "independent" baseball that will be the brand had in the revamped Eastern Carolina. Greenville and Farmville voted for unorganized sport Wednesday night. Clarence Oettinger, speaking for Kinston, said this city wanted "baseball," indicating that it was not very particular. However, Oettinger said he believed independent sport would afford spicier baseball than the Class D variety. Therefore the vote stood three to one against New Bern.

TRINITY GOING NORTH.

Durham, March 13.—The Trinity College baseball schedule was announced complete today by Graduate Manager, B. W. Barnard, five games having been added over the schedule tentatively announced some time ago. An opening game for March 22 has been slated with the Trinity Park School to give the Varsity an easy starter. Two preseason games with the Durham Bulls of the Piedmont League have been scheduled, one to be played at the East Durham park and the other at the Bulls training camp at Oxford. On the Northern trip a game has been added with Lehigh University. Washington and Lee has been added for a home game. These games give a total of 23 contests arranged for Baldwin's men. Three open dates still appear and may be closed.

MANY TOWNS ASK FOR NEW DEPOTS FROM COMMISSION

SELMA IS ACTIVE

Henderson Water Company Asks Permission to Increase Rates in Henderson; Carolina Power Company Also Wants Higher Rates in Raleigh and Durham.

(By Max Abernethy).

Raleigh, Mar. 15.—The little town of Selma brought its request for adequate depot facilities before the State Corporation Commission today as the first of many similar petitions from other cities which the commission will hear soon.

Several of the applications are expected to develop into good-sized family rows before a settlement is reached. The Winston-Salem case is holding the boards now since there has sprung up considerable opposition to the location of the passenger station which the railroads have agreed to build. There is wide difference of opinion as to the proper place to locate the proposed station, the commission hears, and divers suggestions and proposals have been made within the last week regarding it.

C. O. McMichael laid before the commission yesterday a petition from opponents of the Wheeler street site agreed upon by the railroads asking that work on the station in Winston-Salem be delayed 90 days until another site could be found and offered. The commission has taken the request under advisement but has come to no agreement as to a decision at this time.

North Charlotte, Mount Ulla, Washington, Lexington, Kinston and Plymouth have all filed their petitions seeking better buildings and more adequate passenger station facilities. The commission has heard citizens of Kinston, Lexington and Plymouth. These cities made out good cases and it is contended that some relief should be given. The other applications are pending and the commission will set a date for a hearing soon.

Announcement is made today of the formal hearing before the commission on March 24 when citizens of Chapel Hill will enter protest against the recent increase in telephone rates at that place. The rates were raised arbitrarily by the local telephone company without authority from the corporation commission and the hearing set for the 24th is to permit the public to file its formal protest.

Applications are also pending from the Henderson Water Company for increased rates in the city of Henderson and from the Carolina Power and Light Company for higher gas rates in Durham and Raleigh.

The various organizations over the State are doing fine work and it is believed that there will be more gardens worked this year than ever before. Considerable interest is manifested in the campaign. Mr. Lucas says, and he is assured of assistance in putting the campaign over.

J. H. Hightower, president, and H. H. Massey, cashier of the defunct Central Bank and Trust Company of this city, waived examination before the justice of the peace and will go into superior court to answer charges of embezzlement, misappropriation and misapplication of the institution's funds.

R. G. Allen, former president, before Mr. Hightower succeeded him, is being held for superior court on similar charges as these preferred against Hightower and Massey by the State Banking Department. All three men are held under big appearance bonds.

The Supreme Court is expected to hand down its usual batch of opinion this afternoon. Several important State cases are on the docket and may be disposed of this week.

Insurance Commissioner Stacey Wade is receiving on an average of ten applications a week for licenses from Blue Sky companies to do business in North Carolina.

These requests are getting more numerous which indicates that this State is considered by the wildcatters as offering good grazing. If the department is to place its bets on this question by the harvest the promoters reaped in recent years it would very likely bet with the Blue Sky folks. It is known far and wide that hundreds of North Carolinians were fleeced out of their money and Liberty Bonds by peddlers of worthless stock.

All applications for license are being refused now.

HERE AND THERE IN THE ATHLETIC WORLD.

The Season's wind-up of the County League basketball title race is now going on. Both the girls' and boys' quintets of the Rock Ridge school and the Lucama fives are in the finals. These teams will play a series of three games, the winners will be given the Wilson Hardware Company's basketball trophy cups. The first game of the series will be played this afternoon on the Rock Ridge court.

The Wilson High School track team will have a busy Spring as they will be entered in several important meets. The season opens April the 10th, or 14th, with a class track and field meet staged on the Old School Playground. This meet will give Coach Bryan a line on his men for the Inter-Scholastic meet that is to be held in Chapel Hill. The local High's track season will be brought to a close by the annual County School meet at the Fair Grounds the morning of May 10. All the schools of the County will be represented by a team and the Wilson tracksters will not find it very easy to repeat her previous victory in this classic.

The free trial for a goal after touchdown was abolished by the football rules committee. A team scoring a touchdown may now put the ball in play on or back of the opponents 5 yard line and from scrimmage try for a single point by any legal scoring play. Changes also were made in rules of the shift play, and those governing clipping.

In all shift plays both feet stationary on the ground means that a pause must be made so that the referee sees that the men are still an not in motion when the ball is snapped. A man shifting to a new position must come to a full stop. Clipping is throwing the body across the legs below knees of a player from behind, that is of a player not carrying the ball and shall be ruled as unnecessary roughness.

The Wilson High School class baseball league has been organized for the Spring Season, and will open up its schedule on the Old School ball field Monday March 20. All the games will be played after school and will start about four o'clock. The schedule of games is as follows:

Monday March 20—Junior High vs. Freshmen.
 Thursday March 23—Sophomore vs. Junior.
 Monday March 27—Senior vs. Freshmen.
 Thursday March 30—Junior vs. Senior.
 Monday March 31—Freshmen vs. Junior.
 Thursday April 3—Senior vs. Junior.
 Monday April 7—Freshmen vs. Junior.
 Thursday April 10—Senior vs. Junior.
 Monday April 14—Freshmen vs. Junior.
 Thursday April 17—Senior vs. Junior.
 Monday April 21—Freshmen vs. Junior.
 Thursday April 24—Senior vs. Junior.
 Monday April 28—Freshmen vs. Junior.
 Thursday May 1—Senior vs. Junior.
 Monday May 5—Freshmen vs. Junior.
 Thursday May 8—Senior vs. Junior.
 Monday May 12—Freshmen vs. Junior.
 Thursday May 15—Senior vs. Junior.
 Monday May 19—Freshmen vs. Junior.
 Thursday May 22—Senior vs. Junior.
 Monday May 26—Freshmen vs. Junior.
 Thursday May 29—Senior vs. Junior.
 Monday June 2—Freshmen vs. Junior.
 Thursday June 5—Senior vs. Junior.
 Monday June 9—Freshmen vs. Junior.
 Thursday June 12—Senior vs. Junior.
 Monday June 16—Freshmen vs. Junior.
 Thursday June 19—Senior vs. Junior.
 Monday June 23—Freshmen vs. Junior.
 Thursday June 26—Senior vs. Junior.
 Monday June 30—Freshmen vs. Junior.
 Thursday July 3—Senior vs. Junior.
 Monday July 6—Freshmen vs. Junior.
 Thursday July 9—Senior vs. Junior.
 Monday July 13—Freshmen vs. Junior.
 Thursday July 16—Senior vs. Junior.
 Monday July 20—Freshmen vs. Junior.
 Thursday July 23—Senior vs. Junior.
 Monday July 27—Freshmen vs. Junior.
 Thursday July 30—Senior vs. Junior.
 Monday August 3—Freshmen vs. Junior.
 Thursday August 6—Senior vs. Junior.
 Monday August 10—Freshmen vs. Junior.
 Thursday August 13—Senior vs. Junior.
 Monday August 17—Freshmen vs. Junior.
 Thursday August 20—Senior vs. Junior.
 Monday August 24—Freshmen vs. Junior.
 Thursday August 27—Senior vs. Junior.
 Monday August 31—Freshmen vs. Junior.
 Thursday September 3—Senior vs. Junior.
 Monday September 6—Freshmen vs. Junior.
 Thursday September 9—Senior vs. Junior.
 Monday September 13—Freshmen vs. Junior.
 Thursday September 16—Senior vs. Junior.
 Monday September 20—Freshmen vs. Junior.
 Thursday September 23—Senior vs. Junior.
 Monday September 27—Freshmen vs. Junior.
 Thursday September 30—Senior vs. Junior.
 Monday October 3—Freshmen vs. Junior.
 Thursday October 6—Senior vs. Junior.
 Monday October 10—Freshmen vs. Junior.
 Thursday October 13—Senior vs. Junior.
 Monday October 17—Freshmen vs. Junior.
 Thursday October 20—Senior vs. Junior.
 Monday October 24—Freshmen vs. Junior.
 Thursday October 27—Senior vs. Junior.
 Monday October 31—Freshmen vs. Junior.
 Thursday November 3—Senior vs. Junior.
 Monday November 6—Freshmen vs. Junior.
 Thursday November 9—Senior vs. Junior.
 Monday November 13—Freshmen vs. Junior.
 Thursday November 16—Senior vs. Junior.
 Monday November 20—Freshmen vs. Junior.
 Thursday November 23—Senior vs. Junior.
 Monday November 27—Freshmen vs. Junior.
 Thursday November 30—Senior vs. Junior.
 Monday December 3—Freshmen vs. Junior.
 Thursday December 6—Senior vs. Junior.
 Monday December 10—Freshmen vs. Junior.
 Thursday December 13—Senior vs. Junior.
 Monday December 17—Freshmen vs. Junior.
 Thursday December 20—Senior vs. Junior.
 Monday December 24—Freshmen vs. Junior.
 Thursday December 27—Senior vs. Junior.
 Monday December 31—Freshmen vs. Junior.

lina football coaches, whose opinions are available, all unite in welcoming the change in rules which abolishes the free trial for goal after touchdown, but differ somewhat in their views of the effect of the substitute provision.

The new rule provides that the scoring team may place the ball in play anywhere behind the five-yard line and have one try to score either by a touchdown or a field goal, the play to count one point, if successful.

Bob Doak, of Guilford, is the only member to unreservedly welcome the innovation, while it is welcomed, with reservations, by the two Fetters at Carolina and condemned by Hartsell of State and Carboy of Elon.

More thrills for speculators will be provided in the opinion of Bill and Bob Fetzer, given in a joint statement, while Hartsell thinks the new departure will lead to ceaseless bickering and confusion.

Most of the coaches in the State confine their attention to the scoring rule, but Herman Steiner, head coach elect at Trinity is most concerned about the rule providing more stringent regulations for the shift play. In the opinion of the man upon whom Trinity's brilliant football record will rest next year, the departure will restore the advantage of brute strength and react against small colleges.

EXPORTS DECREASED.

Washington, Mar. 15.—American exports for February amounted to \$251,000,000 as compared with \$278,872,500 for January and imports last month were valued at \$217,000,000 as compared with imports of \$217,195,190 the previous month according to the foreign trade survey issued today by the department of commerce.

CONSIDER ROAD CONSOLIDATION

Transportation Acts Allows for Placing Principal Railroads Into 19 Major Systems.

Washington, Mar. 15.—The interstate commerce commission moved today to take up the plan authorized in transportation act to bring about the consolidation of the principal American railroads into 19 major systems. A hearing was ordered for April 24, before Commissioner Hall at which consideration will begin for the consolidation proposed with the southeastern section the first phase to be considered in the inquiry.

Consolidation of the railroads was proposed by Congress, according to the official explanation made at the time, to meet the situation growing out of inability of weak railroads to operate under rates which produced sufficient profit for stronger lines. The commission has before it a comprehensive plan and the various roads have been invited for suggestions.

RENO HOTEL DESTROYED

Reno, Nev., Mar. 15.—Scores of guests escaped from upper windows in their night clothes when the Riverside Hotel the largest hotel here was destroyed by fire.

At 5 o'clock the building was still a furnace. A check was started to learn if any of the guests were missing.

ISSUE GOLD CERTIFICATES

Washington, Mar. 15.—Issuance of gold certificates without demand, discontinued in 1917, was resumed today by the treasury. Gold certificates have always been available on demand but during the war, silver certificates were issued.

Resumption of the ordinary use of gold certificates was said by treasury officials to remove the last artificial currency system growing out of the war.

The treasury now holds approximately three billion dollars in gold and there is no reason why gold certificates should not be freely available.

information regarding his prospects for the coming season, believing that the less said and the more done the better. It is always better to talk in terms of what has been accomplished than to promise much that may not be done; at least a person has less to apologize for; this seemingly is Manager Clark's policy and it is a wise one. Within the next couple of weeks fans in Wilson will have an opportunity to tell each other what they think about the prospects for within that time players will begin to arrive for the spring training.

Clark plans to call in all battery candidates about the 20th of the month; the others are to report around the first of April. The old pitchers who have signed contracts are Jolliff, Hearn, and Bennett. Head has sent his contract in to the local camp, and is hardly able to wait until the day for reporting. He says that he is in perfect condition, and can get in there and catch every game this season. A fourth pitcher is a big fellow living in New York who is a practicing physician. Clark is extremely enthusiastic about this man. He is 26 years of age, six feet three inches tall, and weighs 235.

Weigold the new outfielder from Corona promises to be a wonder. He is reputed to be the best outfielder around New York, is a good hitter, fast on bases and is a wonderful fielder. A. L. Thompson for the past two years in the Piedmont League with Winston and Greensboro has attached his John Hancock to a Wilson contract and will report for duty when the other players are called in. Dick Miller and Paul Bennett say that this Thompson is a wonderful outfielder. Both predict that he will be a sensation in the Virginia League. His record in the Piedmont would indicate that he is a good man. Eugene Bradley from Pratt City, Ala., is another outfielder who promises much. Walker and Head have played with this man and they say that he is a wonder. A good hitter, a fast man on bases, and a sure fielder. Klein has return his contract and with it a good deal of optimism. He promises much during the coming season. He didn't have the best of years here last season, but mechanically he is a good ball player, and ought to deliver in great style. All he needs is a little steadiness and a little more attention to the details of the game.

Clark has other good men in line, and from time to time comments will be made upon their records and their possibilities.

BUILDING NEW HOME.

Mr. L. P. McFarland is erecting a nice residence on Bynum street.

CHARGED WITH SELLING WORTHLESS TEXAS STOCK.

New York, Mar. 14.—Seymour E. J. Cox, promoter of Houston, Tex., charged with defrauding investors out of one million dollars in worthless stocks waived examination today.

He stated his affairs in Texas were alright and he was anxious to go back here and straighten out the whole matter.

LITTLE DIFFERENCE.

There's little difference between rich and poor. When you have scanned the whole thing o'er, For each have trials, vexations and strife

Along the wayward pathway of life. Truth you'll find to this thought lends For the rich have their twin six and the poor six twins.

—James Dempsey Bullock.

THE ARMENIAN FUND.

The Philathea class of the Presbyterian Sunday school contributed \$6 for the support of an Armenian orphan for a whole year. This is a well organized class, enthusiastic, and doing excellent work. Are there other classes in the city that duplicate in the support of an orphan?

Previously acknowledged \$1,168.04
 Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Barnes 10.00
 Mrs. Lou Fulmore 5.00
 Mrs. Fred Washington 3.00
 Mrs. C. E. Moore 10.00
 Mrs. J. C. Hales 5.00
 Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Barfoot 20.00
 Mrs. F. W. Barnes 10.00
 Mrs. Geo. Green 10.00
 Mrs. W. M. Carter 5.00
 Philathea Class Presbyterian Sunday school 60.00

AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT

Sunday night about ten o'clock Mr. Hulan Branch, who was accompanied by Miss Cook, a nurse